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ACTION EB-07

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FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7033  
INFO AMCONSUL CALI  
AMCONSUL MEDELLIN

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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: EAIR, CO  
SUBJECT: CIVAIR: RESTRICTIVE PRACTICES

REYPM A) STATE 196118

B) BOGOTA 11092

C) STATE 023126

1) US CARRIERS ARE STILL PAYING 4 PERCENT UET REFINERY

TAX, DESPITE PROVISION IN US/COLOMBIAN AIR AGREEMENT WHICH EXEMPTS US CARRIERS FROM TAXES. THE GOC HAS RECOGNIZED THE VALIDITY OF US CARRIER COMPLAINTS ABOUT THIS MATTER AND HAS PLEDGED TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION (SEE REFTEL B), BUT AS YET NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.

2) WHILE US CARRIERS PAY (US) \$0.42 PER GALLON FOR JET FUEL, THE QUOTE VOLUME DISCOUNT UNQUOTE ENJOYED BY AVIANCA ENABLES THEM TO BUY JET FUEL AT (US) \$0.26. THE GOC HAS REJECTED EMBASSY PROTESTS REGARDING THIS SITUATION, WITH THE QUALIFICATION THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO DISCUSS IT FURTHER

(SEE REFTEL B).

3) US CARRIERS ARE ABLE TO REMIT NET PROFITS FROM COLOMBIAN OPERATIONS. HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO REMIT INTEREST

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FROM TICKETS SOLD ON CREDIT, AND THE PRINCIPAL RECEIVED IN

PAYMENT FOR SUCH TICKETS MUST BE REMITTED IN TWELVE  
MONTHLY  
INSTALLMENTS.

4) BY OFFICIAL DECREE AVIANCA OFFERS A 30 PERCENT DISCOUNT  
IN AIR FARES TO RECIPIENTS OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FOREIGN STUDY.  
US AIRLINES THEORETICALLY COULD OFFER SUCH A DISCOUNT BUT  
CHOOSE NOT TO DO SO.

5) ACTION RECOMMENDED. EMBASSY STILL AWAITING GUIDANCE  
FROM STATE REGARDING FONOFF NOTE CONTAINED REFTEL B.

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